

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 00-10-10**

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For Work Week Commencing: October 10, 2000
Business Meeting: October 10, 2000, 10:00 a.m.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. MPC SALE – Placeholder – (10/10/00)
2. N2000.9.143 – SmartEnergy.com – Application for Natural Gas Supplier License – Discussion of application (10/10/00)
3. D2000.8.113 – MPC – MPC Electric and Gas Rate Case – Discussion and action on MPC alternative motions regarding schedule and interim order (10/10/00)
4. D96.11.200 and D99.12.277 – Qwest – Deaveraging the loop UNE rate – To discuss the case and obtain decisions (10/10/00)
5. D2000.9.149 and D2000.9.152 – David Wick dba Montana Communications v. Qwest Communications – To discuss Thomas Orr letter of October 4, 2000, and other matters as necessary (10/10/00)

6. D99.8.205 – Qwest Communications – Detariffing intraLATA toll service and operator services – Discuss draft order, follow-up and seek Commission direction (10/12/00)

Weekly Scheduling Meeting – Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Furst Group, Inc and Zone Telecom, Inc, Docket No. N2000.8.128 (Scott)

On August 17, 2000, Furst Group, Inc (TFG) and Zone Telecom, Inc., filed a joint application for approval of the assignment of select assets and waiver of ARM 38.5.3801 and 38.5.3801, the Customer Authorization rule. Zone seeks approval to acquire certain assets of TFG used in the connection with the provision of resold retail and wholesale interLATA long distance. The customers associated with these service also will be assigned to Zone. Zone is registered to provide facilities-based and resold long-distance service and is authorized to continue serving TGF's customers.

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Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 00-10-16

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2000.9.163 – Mid-Rivers Coop – Mid-Rivers petition and request for interim relief

N2000.9.164 – Citizens Communications – Application for forbearance

N2000.10.165 – Qwest Corporation – Tariff 00-42 Centrex 21 revisions

N2000.10.166 – Qwest Corporation – Tariff 00-41 Guaranteed Rate Calling Connection Plan – Revision

N2000.10.167 – Qwest Corporation – Tariff 00-44 Promo ADDENDUM – Access Line NONUTILITY Incentive

N2000.10.168 – Central Montana Communications – Tariff changes and revisions